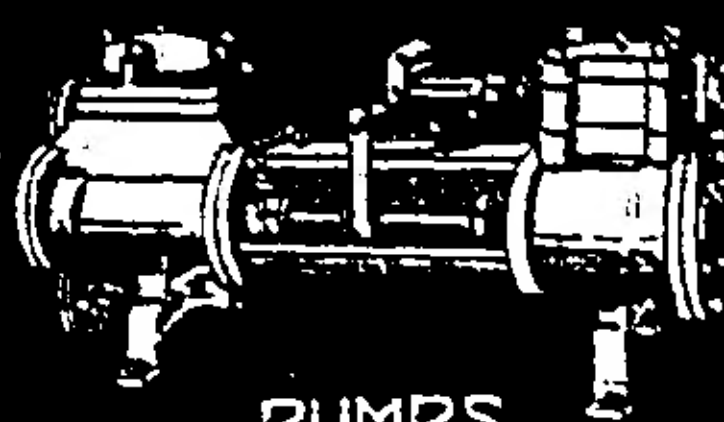


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TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

JAPANESE POLITICAL CRISIS.

Shanghai, March 17.
Information from diplomatic circles state that the Hara Cabinet in Japan will resign on account of the revolutionary movement.

THE STUDENTS AGAIN.

Shanghai, March 17.
The students' organisations, owing to the Peking Government ignoring their perpetual requests to release those students arrested at demonstrations in the streets, have decided to carry on the movement in Shanghai.

THE SOUTH AND PEACE.

Peking, March 17.
The only demand at present made by important persons of the South in regard to peace is that the military agreement between Japan must be cancelled before the conference takes place in Shanghai. The Premier is now trying to comply with the request.

A NEW PARTY.

Peking, March 17.
The Premier, in order to strengthen his position, has formed a new political organisation, and over fifty members of the On Fook Club have gone over to his party.

(Other Late and Special Telegrams on Page 2.)

NOVEL INVENTION.

A BOON TO THE DEAF.

People have seen and heard of so many inventions to aid the deaf to hear, the majority of which have proved to be unsatisfactory, that there is a tendency to treat anything on the subject with scant consideration. But we have had an opportunity of seeing and testing a new instrument that is so scientific in its principle and yet so easy of understanding that it very readily convinces. By name this new invention is known as the "Acousticon" and it is manufactured by the Dictograph Products Corporation. We have all heard of the dictograph and dictograph and the new instrument is the same in principle as the latter. It consists of three pieces. The first is a highly sensitive transmitter which picks up all sounds; the second is a neat compact pocket battery, the current from which intensifies the sounds and sends them through to the third piece, an ordinary telephone receiver. From such a description it might seem as though the equipment is rather bulky or awkward, but in reality it is not so. A man can put the transmitter in one small pocket, the small battery in another and then the only thing that is visible is the small ear-piece which is far less unsightly than the common ear trumpets. The whole instrument looks extremely neat and even if it were all visible it could never be called unsightly.

At Messrs. Lazarus, who are the sole agents in Hongkong and who have only just received a consignment of the instruments, our representative was given a demonstration this morning. Just what the "Acousticon" does is to pick up all sounds within its range and to transmit them in accentuated form. Thus it is that for a person blessed with normal hearing the instrument is hard to test because every sound, no matter how small, is reproduced. But for the deaf who will hear only the predominant voice of those speaking within range, the invention should prove a wonderful boon. Because the principle is so scientific it carries its own recommendation. No matter how much were written it could never be so impressive as a test; and Messrs. Lazarus will be pleased to give anyone interested a thorough trial including a three days' trial to any responsible person. We can only add that any deaf people in Hongkong should make a test for themselves.

23,000, FOR MUSIC IN PARKS.

23,000 will be spent by the L. C. C. next summer on band performances and entertainments in the parks. Weekly dances will again be arranged in some parks.

DAY BY DAY.

The s.s. Ecuador left Manila on the 17th inst. and is expected here on Friday at about 4 p.m.

Yesterday's health return shows two fatal cases of cerebro-spinal fever, both Chinese.

With a quantity of opium tied round his legs, a Chinese was yesterday detained by the Police searchers at the Hautak wharf, and charged at the Police Court to-day. A fine of \$250 was inflicted by Mr. N. L. Smith.

The pieces of ground known as Shauiwan Lots Nos. 2 and 3, leased for a term of 999 years, have been sold by auction at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's rooms for a sum of \$1,900. The purchaser was a Chinese. Bidding started at \$900.

A Chinese woman instituted Police Court proceedings against her husband for the obtaining of money for her support. She was awarded \$8 per month from her husband, but considered this not enough. The magistrate (Mr. N. L. Smith) could not oblige her with a better sum than this and she was told to rest content with what she could get.

For lopping off the branches of trees, a Chinese had to take his place in the Police Court dock to-day. His seedy condition drew a remark from the Magistrate, who was, however, informed by Sgt. Davis that the man was able to carry 100 catties of the branches he cut down. So, notwithstanding the groans which he emitted, the firewood-seeker was given the order to pay a fine of \$3.

A Chinese was to-day charged at the Police Court with being in possession of 42 taels of opium and was fined \$5,000. He could scrape together only \$1,000, and later, through Mr. Leo d'Almeida, made an application for a reduction of his fine to that amount. A reduction from \$5,000 to \$1,000 was too much, so Mr. N. L. Smith split the difference by fixing the amount of the fine at \$2,000. The defendant was arrested on the Hautak wharf yesterday, the drug being found tied round his waist.

For the theft of two cents, a Chinese was to-day given three months' imprisonment with hard labour by Mr. E. A. Irving. Whilst some jugglers were going through their performances at Wanchai yesterday, one of the spectators, who happened to have this princely sum in his pocket, was operated upon by the thief, who, however, was not allowed to escape scot free. A Chinese detective was one of the spectators, and this fact, which was not known to the thief, brought on disastrous results to the latter, who was immediately arrested after he had committed the theft.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

TO-DAY'S CASES.

The Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, presided this morning over the Criminal Sessions of this month.

ROBBERY.

Ho Yon, Leung So, Li Ping and Hon Cheung were indicted on two charges, namely, for receiving stolen property, and robbery. The following jury were empanelled—Messrs. W. Goldenburg, A. M. Stark, P. C. Rosario, R. M. de Cunha, G. A. Gibson, Won Kong Hock, H. W. Ramsay. The first prisoner pleaded guilty to both counts, while the other prisoners pleaded not guilty.

Mr. G. H. Wakeman, the Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. Mr. Wakeman, in outlining the facts of the case, said:—The three prisoners are charged with robbery at 178, Canton Road, Yaumati, on 15th February. The master of the shop—San Chin gold merchants shop—Li Po, will tell you that at 7 o'clock on that day he was in his shop with his foki. Suddenly five men came in and they were threatened with revolvers and knives and a quantity of property consisting of gold beads, ten bangles and clothing was taken away. The master and foki were tied up and released themselves after the prisoners left, and reported the matter to the Police Station. After they were arrested, the prisoners 2, 3 and 4 were identified at an identification parade held at the Police Station. Li Po will tell you that the fourth prisoner was the first man to come in and he had a revolver. He threatened Li Po with a revolver. Number 2 prisoner had a dagger and also a revolver. He was the man who actually tied the master up. The foki will corroborate the statement of the master, and tell you that they were tied and gagged. A European sergeant will tell you that on the 16th, a day after the occurrence, the second and third prisoners, were found in a room in a house in Yaumati and underneath their bed was found a quantity of the stolen gold. The fourth prisoner was found in another house and they were subsequently identified by the master.

The Chief Justice (to the jury)—I think, Mr. Solicitor, that in view of the statements made at the Police Station, you will take this case shortly. Mr. Wakeman (to the jury)—I may tell you, gentlemen of the jury, that these men were charged at the Police Station. The second prisoner said—"I did commit the robbery at this house." The third said—"Po Yai (No. 1 prisoner) told me to do it. Po Yai borrowed a revolver from another man. If I refused to do it, Po Yai would kill me." The fourth said—"Po Yai compelled me to come and commit the robbery."

Li Sai, a foki employed in the shop, stated that when the robbers entered the shop he was in the kitchen. He saw the tallest of the prisoners (No. 2) and he became very frightened. The prisoner came up to him and after giving him an orange tied his hands. Cross-examined by the second prisoner, witness admitted that he could not swear it was the former who tied his hands. But his hands were tied by one of the prisoners. Witness was too frightened at the time to take much notice.

Nos. 2, 3 and 4 prisoners denied having made statements when at the Magistrate. After the Judge's summing up, the jury returned a verdict of guilty. Each prisoner was sentenced to five years' hard labour and ten strokes with the "cat".

RESISTING SEARCH.

Keung Shing, Wong Tai, Ho Kwai and Wong Tin were indicted before the Chief Justice for being in unlawful possession of arms and resisting a search of arms. The same jury were empanelled. The first prisoner pleaded guilty to the first count, the second pleaded guilty to the second count, while the third and fourth prisoners pleaded not guilty. The Chief Justice—Mr. Solicitor, from the statements and pleadings, prisoner No. 1 had a weapon, No. 2 had three weapons. Well, they pleaded guilty. The other two prisoners had nothing on them. Is there any use going on against them? The Crown Solicitor—Yes, my Lord, for resisting arrest and search. The Chief Justice—The first and second prisoners plead guilty to possession of arms without a licence. Do you wish to proceed against them for resisting arrest? You accept, I take it, the plea of guilty in the case of prisoners one and two. The Crown Solicitor—Yes. The Crown Solicitor, in outlining the facts, said:—Prisoners Nos. 3 and 4 are charged with resisting arrest when a search was being made for arms. On February 16th, Sergeant Cox and a number of Chinese police, on information that they received, visited 20, Wain Street, Kowloon City, which is a restaurant, to search for arms. They went upstairs and they found Nos. 1 and 2, who pleaded guilty, and also Nos. 3 and 4. When the Sergeant went upstairs he found the prisoners struggling with the Chinese Police. The jury, after an absence of fifteen minutes, returned a verdict of not guilty by five to two, and the third and fourth prisoners were accordingly discharged.

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MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE.

Ng Thai was indicted before Mr. Justice Wood with manslaughter.

The Hon. Mr. Kemp, K. C., Attorney General, appeared for the Crown. The following jury were empanelled—Messrs. H. W. Page, H. E. Maslin, H. A. Ramsay, A. McKenzie, L. Remedios, G. De Souza and A. Germain.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty. The Attorney General said:—The prisoner is charged with manslaughter. The facts shortly are that on 14th February at about 3 o'clock in the afternoon the prisoner asked a small boy, aged about 13, to go out and pawn a cap for him, and the small boy refused. Later on the deceased asked the small boy to pawn a jacket for him. The deceased wanted the money to pay some loss in dominoes. The small boy was prepared to do it for the deceased. He took the jacket and pawned it, and was returning with the money and met prisoner. The prisoner, annoyed that he did it for the deceased and not for him, struck him. Thereafter the small man returned and gave the money which he got for the jacket and gave it to the deceased. Deceased remonstrated with the prisoner for assaulting the young boy. The prisoner resented this and the two quarrelled. The principal tenant told them to go down into the street. They went down and quarrelled. Apparently the deceased was the first man to strike the blow. He struck the prisoner with his fist. That is not so important. The prisoner went away and got on the spot a bamboo pole, which is a very dangerous weapon. One can get a lot of momentum behind it, and he hit him heavily with the pole. The deceased ran into a shop and got a bamboo broom to defend himself. It was apparently of no use because the prisoner hit him on the head so that he knocked him down and fractured his skull, and from that fracture of the skull he afterwards died. The defence set up by the prisoner is one of self-defence. In his statement at the Police Station he said as follows. (I may say on that occasion he was charged with murder, but in this case he is charged with the killing of the man.) The statement made was as follows:—"I did not intend to fight. I was in the second floor in First Street with several others and they provoked me to come downstairs to fight him. His two friends got hold of me by the

RENT CONTROL.

KOWLOON ASSOCIATION APPROACHES GOVERNMENT.

The Hon. Secretary of the Kowloon Residents' Association forwards us the following copy of a letter addressed to the Government, to which the usual printed acknowledgment has been received:—

February 21, 1920.
Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—I am directed by my Committee to state, on behalf of the members of the Kowloon Residents' Association, as follows:—

(1) That they welcome His Excellency the Governor's recent reference in the Legislative Council to the possibility of the formation of a Fair Rents Board. (2) That it is their unanimous opinion that the present house shortage in Kowloon, together with the persistent imposition of an increase in rentals, warrants the formation of such Board. (3) That tenants affected who are members of the above-named Association beseech protection against the exploitation of an officially-recognised social need. I have the honour to remain, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) W. JACKSON, Hon. Secretary, Kowloon Residents' Association.

SCHOOL BOXING.

KOWLOON TOURNAMENT.

We are informed by Mr. G. Franklin, Nightingale, Head Master of the Kowloon British School, that some 30 of his pupils will take part in a boxing tournament at the School (Nathan Road) on Saturday next, at 5.45 p.m. The weights for this meeting have been arranged as follows:—Fly, under 60 lbs.; Bantam, under 70 lbs.; Feather, under 80 lbs.; Light, under 90 lbs.; Welter, under 100 lbs.; Middle, under 115 lbs.; Light-Heavy, under 130 lbs.; and Heavy, over 130 lbs.

It is expected that His Excellency the Governor will attend. We understand that His Excellency, when in Ceylon, took great interest in school boxing, and that he was mainly responsible for the formation and success of the Ceylon Schools Boxing Association.

The Hongkong Boxing Association has promised to present small trophies for the winners of the different classes.

CONVERTING CHAPELS TO HOUSES.

Disused chapels and Sunday schools are being acquired by the Holbeach Rural Council, in Lincolnshire, for conversion to house accommodation. The Spalding Rural Council is also trying to buy a chapel for the same purpose.

breast and urged me to strike. I got hold of a bamboo pole and fought him. I advised him not to fight. The law on the subject is that if two prisoners quarrel (Archibald page 842) and afterwards fight and one of them kills the other, it is manslaughter. In this case there is some defence established. In the statement of defence, and the law on that is as follows (page 834 of Archibald): "The prisoner, in pleading self-defence, must prove that his action was necessary to protect his own life if his life was in danger." In the present case, the prisoner was in the wrong in assaulting the boy for refusing to pawn the cap for him; secondly, the deceased quite reasonably remonstrated with him for assaulting the boy; thirdly, he attacked with a dangerous weapon. The jury returned a verdict of "Guilty" with a recommendation to mercy. A sentence of nine months' imprisonment with hard labour was passed.

KOWLOON RENTS.

NEW ASSOCIATION'S APPEAL TO THE GOVERNMENT.

The Hon. Secretary of the Kowloon Residents' Association forwards us the following copies of letters recently addressed to the Government:—

January 30, 1920.
Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—I am directed by the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association to invite the attention of the Government to the notices served by the landlords upon the tenants of Humphrey's Buildings, Kowloon, all properties situate in Kowloon, of their intention to increase the rents of these houses as from March 1.

This question was brought before my Committee by the tenants affected, with a request that the matter be brought to the notice of the Government.

In the case of the flats in Humphrey's Buildings, I am to point out that if the increased rents now demanded by the landlords are to be enforced, it will mean that during the course of a year the tenants will have had an addition to their monthly rent amounting to over 20 per cent., which they consider is without justification.

In presenting this appeal for the amelioration of an unwarrantable hardship now proposed to be inflicted upon a section of Kowloon residents which has patiently endured a constant increase in rent on the part of large and influential landlords, my Committee has been greatly encouraged by receiving the opinion when, in response to a similar petition for relief by the tenants of Barrow Terrace, Kowloon, the Government, in September, 1919, notified the petitioners that it had been able to make arrangements whereby the rentals complained of were appreciably reduced.

In conclusion, my Committee venture to express the hope that, in examining the facts as herein presented, the Government will bestow upon the subject its most earnest consideration, and that the petitioning tenants on the present occasion will be awarded that relief which they so urgently need.

I have the honour to remain, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) W. JACKSON, Hon. Secretary, Kowloon Residents' Association.

March 4, 1920.
Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—With reference to my letter of January 30, I am again directed by my Committee to respectfully invite the attention of the Government to the urgency of the question therein dealt with, and to point out that unless some relief is to be secured for the petitioning tenants the increases in rentals will apply as from the 1st inst.

My Committee also direct me to express the hope that the results of the Government's intervention may soon be made known.

I have the honour to remain, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) W. JACKSON, Hon. Secretary, Kowloon Residents' Association.

To the above letters the usual printed acknowledgments have been received.

CRICKET.

C.R.C. v. C.C.C.

In the above match in the latter's ground at Happy Valley, the following will represent the C. R. C.—Ng Sze Kwong (Capt), Un Hwa Fan, Wei Lee Son, Shin Man Ping, Wong Kwok Kwong, H. Ching, Gao Lee, Ho Wing Kin, Lo Man Pan, J. Wong, and Chos Man Ping.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 4s. 7d. 1/2.

RECENT SHIPPING MISHAP.

"COMMANDANT MAGES" REFLOATED.

We are advised by the M. M. Co. that the s.s. "Commandant Mages," which has been ashore at Sa Mun, since the 11th inst., was refloated yesterday at 5 p.m. She was accompanied to port by the tug "Taikoo" (Captain Sutherland), having on board the local Agent of the Messageries Maritimes, also Mr. John Stewart Gardiner and Mr. McCarthy. The "Commandant Mages" is now at No. 2 Wharf to unload cargo and will enter dry dock as soon as possible.

LAWN TENNIS.

LAST EVENING'S MATCHES.

The most interesting match in the H.K.C.C. lawn tennis tournament last evening was the Championship Doubles tie in which S. Rumjahn and O. Burnie met and defeated A. Burnie and D. Benkiron. The contest, which was watched by a large crowd, was very keenly fought out, and went the whole five sets before a decision was reached. Some idea of the closeness of the score may be gathered when it is stated that in the last set "four all" was called, whilst at the conclusion of play the pairs were level in games, each having scored 23. The Rumjahns, however, won by three sets to two, the details being—6-3, 2-6, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4. The losers played a far more careful game than their opponents, being largely content to "lob" and send back easy returns, leaving it to the other pair to make the mistakes. It can thus be said that the Rumjahns secured the verdict not so much by winning points as by their opponents losing them. A feature of the game was the fine "killing" strokes of Benkiron, who is a very quick and resourceful player. S. Rumjahn also shone well at times in smashing, and he has a very useful drive. Burnie was disappointing, though he has a good service. O. Rumjahn is a steady player but lacks power. The match was not up to championship standard. In the Handicap Singles, "B." Class, R. D. Cromarty (ows 2/6) beat C. Bernard Brown (scr.) by 6-3, 6-2.

FLYING PERMITTED OVER HARWICH AND DOVER.

An Order issued from the Air Ministry under the Air Navigation Act, 1911 to 1919, removes Cromarty, Harwich, and Dover from the list of prohibited areas, over which it was a penal offence to fly. The areas named included all points within a radius of three statute miles from Cromarty Ness, Parkston Quay, and Dover Castle respectively.

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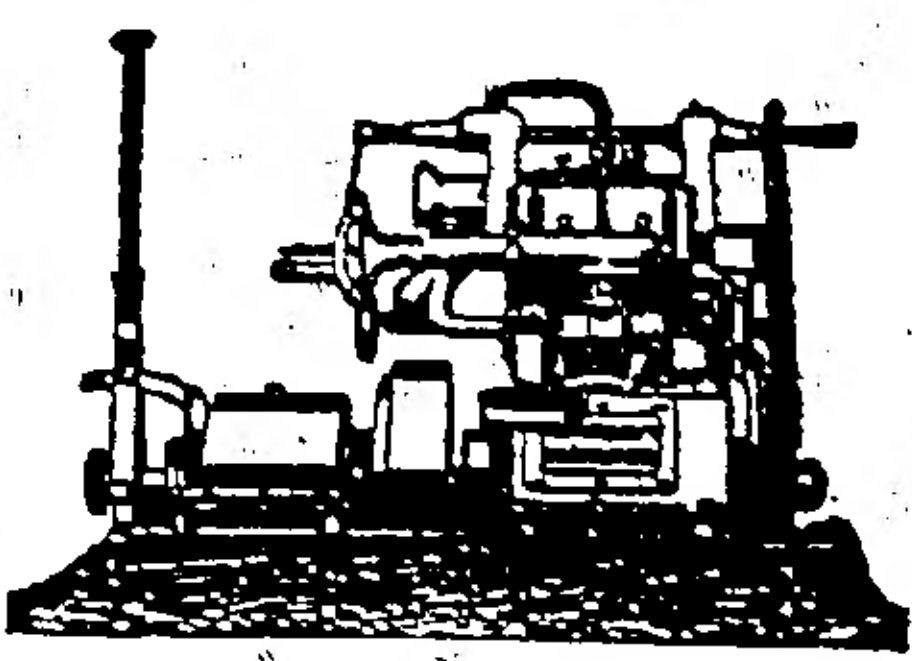
TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal.—Marie Tempest in "Penelope"—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre.—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre.—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Coronet Theatre.—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
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PROBLEM OF THE EXCHANGES.

FEAR OF COLLAPSE.

The continued fall in the exchanges of the belligerent countries of Europe is causing the deepest concern in financial circles.

The position, as the Hon. R. H. Brand pointed out in an *Observer* interview, admits of only one remedy, and that is rigid economy on the part of the Governments concerned, and hard work and thrift on that of the peoples.

"There is nothing at all surprising," Mr. Brand said, "in the present position of the exchanges. Those who are concerned with international finance have long seen that it was inevitable.

"As a matter of fact, some such depreciation in currencies must have taken place probably as long ago as 1917, if it had not been for the entry of the United States into the war. The European exchanges were only held up after the beginning of that year by the United States lending about two thousand million sterling to Europe.

EUROPE NOT PAYING ITS WAY.

"The real fact is that Europe is not paying its way either internally or externally. The various Governments are spending much more than they are raising by taxation, and in most European countries are, therefore, meeting the deficit by printing paper money.

Currencies are just like everything else. Their value is determined in the main by supply and demand. The more paper notes printed by any country the greater the supply and the less the value of that currency in terms of those of other countries. Further, more, if this same country is also importing far more than it is exporting, the demand for foreign currencies to pay for imports is great, and that demand sends up their value in comparison with the home currency.

"Take the French franc. The more franc notes the French Government prints the less is the value of these notes compared, for example, with the American dollar. And the greater the demand in France for American dollars to pay for American imports into France the greater is the value of the dollar in comparison with the franc, and the greater the number of francs which a Frenchman has to give to buy a dollar. These are the two reasons why a dollar which in normal times is worth about five francs is now worth about thirteen francs.

"The same influences are affecting most of the European exchanges, certainly the exchanges of all the belligerents. Germany's position is worse than that of the others, because she has received very little credit abroad, and as she must absolutely make certain imports and also pay heavy maturing obligations abroad, she has to buy foreign currencies by selling her marks for them at almost any price.

NO HEROIC REMEDY POSSIBLE.

"No heroic remedy is possible. In fact, the situation cannot be entirely remedied for a very long time certainly not for some years.

"I notice that Sir Leo Chiozza Money apparently suggested in last week's *Observer* that the exchanges should again be 'pegged,' i.e., artificially supported at a high rate by the Governments. Even if it were possible, that would be a fatal remedy, because it would relieve the pressure on the individual and encourage extravagance. Besides it is quite impossible. They cannot be 'pegged' without Europe borrowing a huge sum from the United States. It would be suicidal of her to do so, and, in any case, the United States would not lend the money.

EUROPE LIKE A DRUNKARD.

"Europe is rather like a drunkard. She has got used to obtaining her imports on credit. If you cut off drink all at once the effect may be fatal. On the other hand, to let her continue drinking would in the end be equally fatal.

"In ordinary circumstances an adverse exchange situation rights itself. Many countries have had a heavily depreciated currency which has brought its own remedy in the way of stimulating exports and prohibiting imports. But the troubles we are suffering from are on such a gigantic and extreme scale and the whole situation is so abnormal that the exchanges are not exercising their usual influences so effectively.

"Exports are not encouraged to the extent they would be under normal circumstances by a depreciated exchange because the countries wishing to make them

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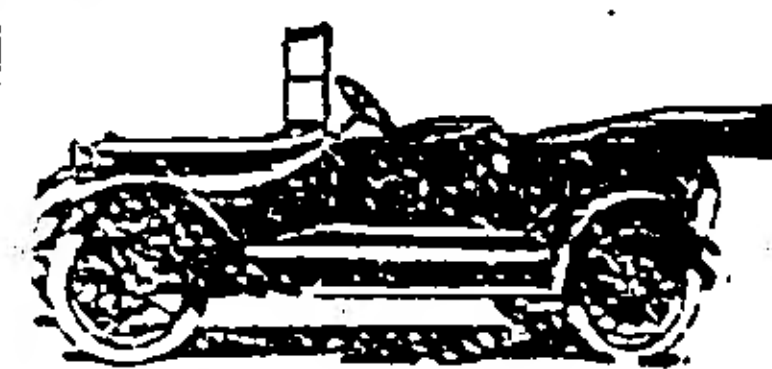
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TO BRAZIL.

A Times correspondent writes:—One of the first things to strike a foreigner in Portugal is the absence of all visible signs of that religion which is still professed by the vast majority of the people. No priest or monk may walk abroad in the distinctive garb of his calling. There are no religious processions.

The churches, which were closed after the revolution, are, indeed, now reopened under rigorous restrictions; but the schools are completely secularized, and it is said that atheism is definitely inculcated in many of them. The attitude of the Revolutionary Government towards the Church is the more remarkable when we remember that the Church in Portugal has been liberal rather than reactionary, and that its influence during the war was anti-German.

The people acquiesce in the suppression of their religious rights, as they have acquiesced in most of the doings of the Governments that followed the murder of Sidonio Paes—with a sort of despairing indifference that seems to be sapping the national vitality. Many of them are at heart monarchist and clerical. Many of the more moderate supporters of the revolution are disillusioned. Paes might have saved the situation, but after his murder politics relapsed into a struggle of groups, all professing republicanism and anti-clericalism; all distributing loaves and fishes to their adherents; all meeting growing financial difficulties by the simple expedient of expanding the inconvertible paper currency. To-day none of the country's political leaders seem to awake enthusiasm. Politics are left to the politicians.

There is, indeed, an active and widespread disgust with the economic condition of the country, but even this, the strongest political sentiment in Portugal to-day, expresses itself merely in sporadic strikes, the throwing of bombs, which usually miss their aim or fail to explode, and other feeble attempts at revolution. It is very difficult to estimate the risk of serious social disturbance. Armed guards have recently been placed on foreign ships entering the Tagus, and small detachments of infantry and cavalry parade the streets of Lisbon on Sundays and holidays, at any rate, when there is no rain to deter the dissatisfied from beginning operations; but the newspapers and the Government declare persistently that everything is, and is likely to remain, perfectly peaceful.

THE NEWLY RICH. Discontent is no doubt largely due to high prices, and aggravated by the wanton display of luxury indulged in by those who have grown rich through the war. It is characteristic of present-day Portugal that magnificent motor-cars abound on roads which have not been repaired for years, and are in parts almost impassable.

Emigration, especially to Brazil, is going on apace. Unfortunately, the emigrants are largely preponderant peasants from the fertile northern provinces, or else the strongest and most enterprising of the urban population. It is pathetic to contrast the faces and figures of the stalwart emigrants who crowd the steerage of outward-bound English passenger boats at Oporto with those of the anemic, stunted loafers on the quay. By emigration to "the Latin America" agriculture, which employs three-fifths of the population, is being drained of its life-blood, and the proportion of idle and inefficient is continually increasing.

The inefficiency of those who remain in their motherland is indeed the curse of Portugal; but this is no novelty. The old Government did its best to stamp out Judaism and Liberalism, and failed in both attempts. Wherever you find a flourishing industry—wine, cork, prosperous hotels, Lisbon's splendid tramway system—there you also find Englishmen, Belgians, Americans, or other foreigners in control. The banks were, before the war, largely in the hands of German, who are said to be furiously resuming their hold on these and other undertakings.

TEUTON NOT POPULAR. The Teuton is, however, not popular in Lisbon, though the statement is frequently made that Portugal was and is pro-German. It is probably suspicion of England and a widespread conviction that Portugal will not make much out of the general

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

A-BERLIN COUP.

London, March 16.

It is reported that the dramatic breakdown of the Kapp regime has unquestionably surprised and puzzled diplomatic circles, although one of the probable reasons is the fact that the coup d'état has been inopportunistically forced to a head at an unpropitious moment for the revolutionaries by the discovery of their plot and the prime movers decided that the time was not ripe to disclose their hand, for undoubtedly Kapp and Lüttwitz were mere figureheads. An agreement in the nature of a compromise is doubtless inevitable owing to the general apathy of the partisans of both sides and the growing fear of civil war. A number of Kapp's terms, however, are included in the agreement, for apparently Government exports means Government bureaucrats and the election of a President by plebiscite is interpreted as favouring the election of a popular military general or dynast. On the other hand a most striking innovation is the establishment inside the Reichstag of a second chamber of an almost exclusively economic and industrial character wherein Labour will sit side by side with Capital. Meanwhile unrelaxed vigilance and military preparedness is the keynote of Allied policy, as events have emphasised the instability of any regime at present in Germany and the fact that our late enemies have not yet learned the lessons of their defeat.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

London, March 16.

In an explanatory Memorandum of the Navy estimates Mr. Water Long shows that, after deducting nineteen millions of non-recurrent war liabilities and forty millions of recurrent expenditure due to war conditions such as increases of prices, wages and pensions, there remains a normal expenditure on the basis of pre-war rates and prices totalling £37,500,000, compared with £35,000,000 in 1914-15. The Memorandum says that in view of the efforts made in war time it is possible to temporarily suspend production and reduce the fleet to minimum requirements both in personnel and material. The Memorandum contends that, far from the capital ship being doomed either on account of submarines or aircraft, the war has shown that the battle squadron must still remain the chief unit of the fleet, though advances in science will inevitably necessitate eventual changes in type. Thus it is even possible that the present battleship may change to a semi-submersible type and even to a flying type, but the immediate abandonment of the capital ship in favour of a visionary scheme of aircraft and submarines would leave the British nation destitute of sea power and without a means of progressive training.

PLAGUE ON THE ALPS MARU.

London, March 16.

The Health Ministry announces a case of plague on the Alps Maru at the Port of London on 16th Feb., followed by another fatal case last week. Cargo for London has been discharged into lighters and barges under necessary precautions and this ship disinfected as far as possible. The Alps Maru left London on 6th March.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI HOTEL PROFITS.

Shanghai, March 17.

The Shanghai Hotels Company, owners of the Palace and Astor House, announce that their 1919 profits were \$596,437. They are paying a dividend of \$2 per share and allotting \$300,000 to a new hotel fund.

readjustment that lead to the not entirely candid expression of this point of view. France is still popular in Portugal, and still stands for Latin culture and the democratic ideals of Liberty, Fraternity, and Equality in the hearts of the Portuguese. The cynically minded will doubtless point out that the ever-present fear and jealousy of Spain lead naturally to affection for France. It is widely believed that Spanish troops would cross the frontier if a serious revolution were to break out in Portugal.

We English are certainly not beloved by "our oldest Ally." The Portuguese are a proud people, blessed with long memories. They still resent our interference with their colonial administration, and their treatment of political and other prisoners. They have not forgotten our negotiations with Germany concerning the reversion of Portuguese Africa. The Monarchists consider that we ought to have saved the monarchy. The Republicans accuse us of lack of effective sympathy with their democratic ideals, and of stinting their supply of coal. We are said to have hustled Portugal into the war, and to have brought pressure to bear to enlist men, and especially youths, physically incapable of enduring active service.

ENGLISH MISSIONS'S ZEAL.

It is possible that our Military Mission showed more zeal than discretion. Certainly a large proportion of the Portuguese troops in France broke down before striking a blow. The victims of tuberculosis were terribly numerous, and many of

them should have been rejected as recruits. But, after all, the final responsibility in these matters must rest with the Portuguese Government. The failure to subject recruits to an adequate medical examination was the natural outcome of the prevalent inefficiency, rather than of callousness, for the Portuguese are a humane nation, too fond, perhaps, of murdering their rulers and other obnoxious persons, but seldom doing so in cold blood.

The Portuguese currency is a monument of governmental inefficiency. Coins worth more than three farthings (four centavos) have disappeared from circulation and the dollar (escudo) is to-day worth only 20 pence in our own too much depreciated currency. Notes equivalent to one penny and upwards have been issued in quantities that the Portuguese monetary system is rapidly approaching the level of the French assignat of 1793. Quack remedies are, of course, loudly advocated. A law was actually passed to prohibit the export of money and securities, but the effects on trade were so disastrous that the measure speedily became inoperative, except in certain comparatively unimportant though vexatious details. Wages are high in proportion to the services rendered. What is wanted is more, and more scientifically directed work, but exorbitant tariffs, gigantic taxation of agriculture, and lack of the capital and enterprise which are needed for the development of transport and other mineral wealth make the industrial and agricultural prospect rather gloomy.

NOTICES.

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The R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF ASIA" having arrived from Vancouver with the following goods in Cold Storage.

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SELECTED KIPPERS	"	30cts
COD FILLETS	"	50cts
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SMOKED SALMON	"	80cts
BACON "SHAMROCK" Brand	"	\$1.00
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Large size in round or triangle shapes.

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4 oz. Bottle	40 cts.
12 oz. Bottle	75 cts.
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COUSIN KATE

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FRIDAY, MARCH 26th
OUICAST

An Indisputable. By Hubert Henry Davis.

SPECIAL MATINEE:
SATURDAY, MARCH 27th
at 5.15 p.m.

OUICAST

and at 9.15 p.m.

MRS. DOT

By W. Somerset Maugham.

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Notice is hereby given that Certificate for 4 Shares Numbers 20985/20988 issued on 11th March 1889 in the name of Ip Ping Kwan, has been declared lost, and should the same not be produced before the 31st inst., the same shall be deemed cancelled and of no effect.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
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Hongkong, 13th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

The public are hereby notified that owing to repairs to the Tramway track at Praya East, the road will be closed to Vehicle Traffic between No. 2 Police Station and Heard Street from 12 noon on Wednesday the 17th inst.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.

Hongkong, 16th March 1920.

NOTICE.

THE ASSOCIATION OF
EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF
HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Members of the ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF HONGKONG will be held on TUESDAY, March 30th 1920, at 4 p.m. precisely, in the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1919.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General business.

By Order,

E. A. M. WILLIAMS.

Secretary.

Hongkong, March 15th, 1920.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Friday, the 19th March, 1920, commencing at 11.30 a.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A Quantity of Valuable Office & Household Furniture.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.
Geo. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Friday, the 26th March, 1920, commencing at 2.45 p.m. at No. 17 Humphreys Building, Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

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at No. 5 Godown of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon (more or less damaged by seawater)

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1000 boxes Pearl Barley
3 bags Awabi
2 cases Envelopes
8 packages Paper
85 cases Rolled Oats
10 cases Cheese
11 cases Cod Fish
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3 cases Tomatoes
15 cases Salmon
2 boxes Apples
2 boxes Prunes
3 cases Lobsters
1 box Raisins

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Friday, the 19th March 1920, commencing at 11.30 a.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

53 bags White Zinc No. 2
20 bags Green Paint
24 tins Copal Varnish
24 tins Boat Varnish
24 tins Damar Varnish
15 tins Soft Soap
16 cases Fire Clay
21 blocks White Metal
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24 tins Gold Bronze Paint
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400 tins Dye
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1 case American Dye
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etc. etc. etc.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs. Thoresen & Co. to sell by Public Auction on

Tuesday, the 18th May, 1920, commencing at 3 p.m. at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street

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1457 tons gross Reg.
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.

The Undersigned has received instructions from Mr. J. H. Gardiner to sell by Public Auction on

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NOTICE.

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During the temporary absence from the Colony of Mr. H. O. Holt, on leave, Mr. Harry Eyre will act as Manager and Secretary of the Company.

By order of the Board,
H. J. GEDGE,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 16th March 1920.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS
COMPANY LIMITED.

During the absence on leave of Mr. George Curry, the Company's Resident Engineer, Mr. J. McCubbin, will act as Local Secretary.

(Signed)
JARDINE MATHESON & CO. LTD.
Local Agents.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1920.

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifty-first Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned at Noon on TUESDAY the 30th instant.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 16th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA
CLUB.

THE FIRST GYMKHANA MEETING OF THE SEASON will be held at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, the 20th instant, commencing at 3 p.m.

The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half Price.
The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Saturday 27th March 1920 at noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1919.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 19th to the 27th March 1920 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING
CO., LTD.

THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on Wednesday the 24th instant at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1919.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 10th to 24th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO
General Agents.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG
GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the Members of the above Club will be held at the office of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Company, Ltd., Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong on the 23rd of March 1920 at 5.15 p.m. to consider the financial position of the Club and other matters as detailed in the notices posted in the Club premises at Happy Valley, Fanling and Deep Water Bay.

NOTICE is also hereby given that at the same time and place certain Resolutions as detailed in the notices posted at the Club premises at Happy Valley, Fanling and Deep Water Bay will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions. Should they or some of them be passed they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a further extraordinary general meeting which will be subsequently convened.

By Order of the Committee,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1920

NOTICE.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN
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The Twenty-third Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6 Connaught Road on SATURDAY the 27th March 1920 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December 1919 and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY the 20th March 1920 until SATURDAY the 27th March 1920, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1920.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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"ELKTON"

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Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on March 22nd, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after March 24th, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1920.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1920.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Co.'s Steamer

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 3rd April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Steamer

"MENTOR"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 15th March.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 5th April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1920.

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Bradles, from Rangoon.
Ezrao, from New York.
Hiptal, from London.
Koster, from San Francisco.
Pearse Nob, from Bombay.
Progresso, from San Francisco.
Robikon, from Lapas.
Scilingo, Argentine Consulate, from Durban.
Vera Phillips, Hongkong Hotel, from Melbourne.
Verniferum, from London.
D. de H. FARRANT, Superintendent, Hongkong, Mar. 11, 1920.

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The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying here:—

Wingtungchong, from Shanghai.
Captain Usui Hwahwa, Yusenkaisha, from Kobe.
Oginomatsu Barahatee, from Tanokuchi.
World Insurance Co., from Shanghai.
Yulai, from Amoy.
Fredrick, A. Smith Butterfield Swire, s.s. Sunning, from Shanghai.
Sintyekee, from Amoy.
Pousette Trade Commissioner, from Shanghai.
Soonthai, from Amoy.
Vanfontong, Tafudoll Street, from Shanghai.
Shingyick, No. 224 Des Voeux Road, from Amoy.
Yatheung, Teasaloon c/o Pong-wanten Sektongtsui, from Amoy.
Tousakazu, from Osaka.
Fentsch Posterestante, from Vladivostok.
Mouro, Hongkong Hotel, from Tientsin.
Leeyuenchiang from Shanghai.
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T. KRING, Superintendent, Hongkong, March 12, 1920.

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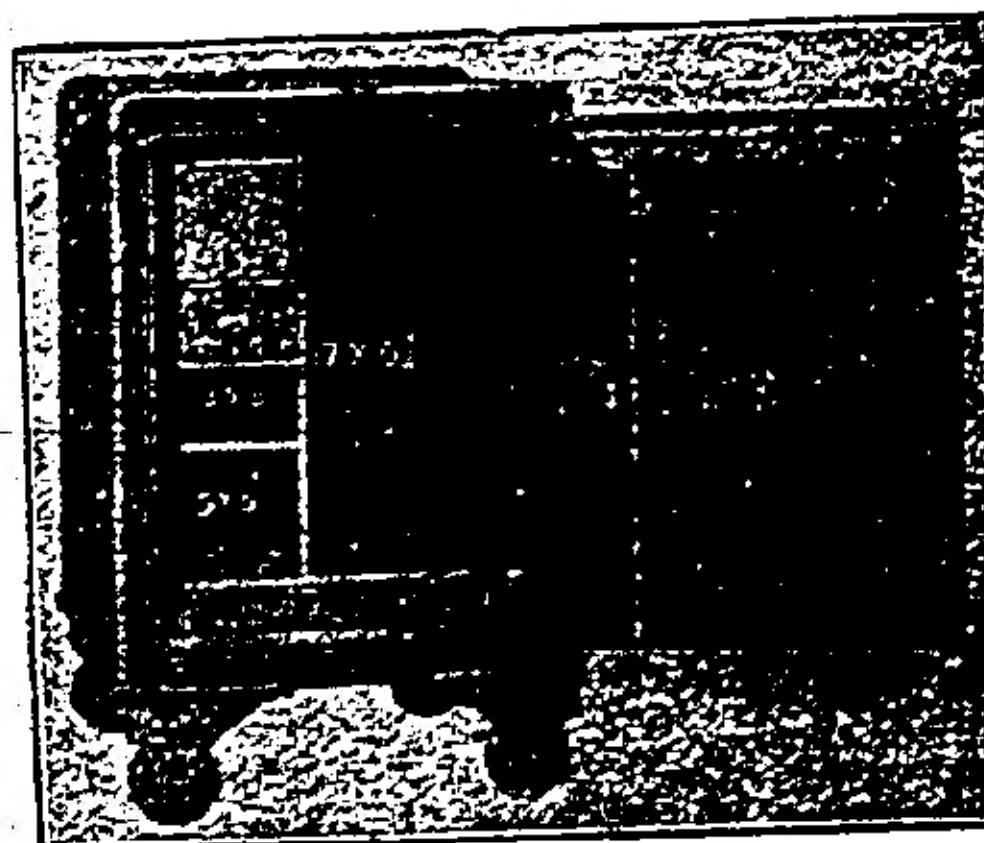


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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1920.

BRITISH ENGINEERING.

At the present time, when strong efforts are being made to maintain British commercial prestige in the Far East, Hongkong is vitally interested in the state of the engineering industry in the Old Country, for it is on Britain's ability to "deliver the goods" that the success of the trade campaign must depend. It is worth while, therefore, to take a glance at conditions at home. At the beginning of last year, the engineering industries of the British Empire had already started to convert themselves rapidly from a war to a peace footing. Throughout the British scientific world there was a quick appreciation for the need of speeding up useful production; we are wont to deprecate British "slowness" but the past year has, indeed, been a revelation. The effects of putting our hands early to the plough are being felt already; production is increasing, the export of manufactured goods has begun to rise and, true to our British habits, we have early recognised the insistent claims both of skilled and unskilled labour, and it is now happily true that Great Britain is much further advanced towards the peaceful solution of labour troubles than ever had been hoped. The fact that the Ministry of Labour has now taken over and improved the machinery for dealing with labour disputes augurs well for the smooth running of our engineering industries in peace. It must, of course, be recognised that the period of preparation is necessarily long, but we are rapidly losing our old national inability to adapt ourselves. The recent Automobile and Transport Exhibitions, held respectively at Olympia and the Agricultural Hall, should quickly dispel any doubts as to this.

We are informed that new and bold engineering enterprises are already being established in the Old Country. One large firm of steel manufacturers is wisely establishing a works in South Wales to house a "sintering" plant. This will be the first of its kind in Great Britain; it is a method of treating an iron ore of a class hitherto regarded as being too costly to work. British adaptability has come in here; the high prices and shortage of pig iron enable advantage to be taken of this method. Then also throughout the war there was a growing demand for the supply of Portland cement to British standard specification, both for home consumption and for export and, at the same time, the Continental source of supply failed. Experts compute that the demand will exceed the supply for at least ten years to come. British engineers quickly appreciated the shortage and as early as February, 1919, had started to construct an entirely new works—one of the biggest of its kind—on the banks of the Thames. That factory will be equipped with the most modern plant, including some of the largest rotary kilns in existence. Before the close of 1920 this works will be turning out three thousand tons of cement weekly. The construction of additional units is only a matter of time and by 1921 the output is expected to be nearly half a million tons per annum. This enterprise shows great engineering foresight and will increase the manufacture of cement in England by over 25 per cent. Much could be written of developments in the "air" industry, but what is being accomplished in this sphere is well reflected in recent long-distance flights. At sea, much secrecy has necessarily had to be observed by the Admiralty and much progress is still hidden from us. It is, however, no secret that many thousand pounds have been spent in experimental work on the development of the "Still" engine and a close study of thermodynamics has now produced in a practical form the long-looked-for combination of the internal combustion and steam engines. It is no mean achievement to have lowered the fuel consumption of crude oil to .35 lbs. of fuel per brake horse power per hour. Here is another triumph for British engineers, and the technical world eagerly looks forward to the early commercial adoption of this engine in marine work. Already British marine engine-builders are applying for licences to construct these engines.

This brief article would not be complete without one other reference, namely to the work of the British Engineering Standards Association. The work of this body is too little known abroad and in the Colonies to-day. It is, however, one of the most highly efficient organisations we possess, and it may be said without hesitation that, through the standardisation of mechanical component parts, it has done more than anything else to bring down the cost of manufacture and to place our British engineering industries in as sound a position to-day as any in the world.

NOETS & COMMENTS.

OUR HARBOUR.

Hongkong has seen a very full harbour these last few days. On Tuesday there must have been nearly a record entry of shipping. In addition to the arrival of the Empress of Asia no fewer than seven Blue Funnel boats were in port, and the P. and O. s.s. Khiva also came in, in addition to quite a number of the ordinary coasting vessels. Recent reference has been made to the need that exists for the improvement of the harbour, but the unfortunate part of that reference has been that most people seem to think that harbour improvements are things for the future, whereas in fact they are things for to-day. In most public matters there is far too much talk of the future—everything is left for some other time, and so there arises a continual incentive to procrastinate, to leave things over until to-morrow. One has only to look at the vastly increasing amount of tonnage now operating on the Pacific, the majority of which will have its terminus in Hongkong, to realise the need there is for Hongkong to be made doubly attractive. Only this week we have announced that new passenger boats are being allocated by the United States Shipping Board for the America-Orient run and it is certain that as time goes on the volume of Pacific trade will grow even larger. At the moment it is quite true to say that there is no port in South China which can hope to rival Hongkong in its facilities catering for the trade passing to and from the southern interior, but it should not be left until the days of competition before Hongkong makes a move to render the service it can give attractive in every possible way. Not only is there the problem of providing decent berthing for all ships that arrive and the necessity of hurrying on the Chinese officials to complete the railway communication, but such matters as housing, hotel accommodation, storage room and all those other essentials that go to make up a well-equipped and thriving port ought to be given earnest and urgent consideration. Our local Resources Development Committee could well occupy their time with the whole of this subject, for in its proper handling and development lies the prosperity of everything connected with the Colony. All things else are subservient to it and it is time that we saw something being done which could convince the community that the Government is alive to that fact.

THE WIRELESS CHAIN.

So Hongkong is not going to be overlooked after all in the projected Imperial wireless scheme. Reuters has given us an interesting digest of the scheme drawn up by the Marconi Wireless Company, and if the Home Government approves of what has been suggested, the Empire will possess a network of wireless of almost inestimable value. There is no necessity for us to go through the proposals in detail here, because it is safe to assume that all interested read them in the telegrams, but we will only stay to remark that matters have been such a long time in coming to a head that it is to be hoped, now something definite has been formulated, that there will not be so very much more delay. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock had an illuminating reply to a recent question in the Legislative Council on the subject. Over nine months ago he asked as to whether any steps were being taken to include Hongkong in the proposal, and when he recently asked if any news had been received from the Home Government was told that no reply had been received in answer to this Government's query. We commented at the time on the seemingly needless delay, but it is gratifying now to learn that the matter has not been shelved. The old saying reads: "Everything comes to them that wait"; and it seems that when dealing with the Home officials, waiting is all that one can do. On many very important points we are still "hung up" because of no pronouncement from home, and if any arguments were needed at this stage in added favour of self-government none stronger could be adduced than a few examples of the seeming indifference of the Home permanent officials. Congestion in the Colony has almost reached a limit point and the City portion has long been restricted in growth by the lack of room for expansion. The recently-raised question of the military monopoly of

DAY BY DAY.

THE POPULAR MAN AND THE MAN OF TRUE, AT LEAST OF GREAT, ORIGINALITY, ARE SELDOM ONE AND THE SAME.—*Carlyle.*

A boxing tournament is being held at the Kowloon British School on Saturday at 5.45 p.m.

"Spectator."—We have passed your letter on to the paper in which the correspondence with which you deal originally appeared.

The Canton Amateur Theatrical Society is to present the farcical comedy, "Ann," at the Canton Club Theatre on Saturday night.

Playing in the Basket Ball League at the Y.M.C.A. last night the American Athletic Club beat South China by 20 to 5, and University "B" beat Queen's White by 14 to 8.

The Douglas Company's newly-acquired boat, the Morialta, which is to be renamed the Hailong, is to make her first trip for the Company on the 23rd inst., when she will leave for Coast ports. Capt. E. Walker will be in command.

The Marie Tempest season opens at the Theatre Royal to-night, when "Penelope" will be staged. It is seldom that Hongkong gets an opportunity of seeing such a famous actress. To-night's play should be deeply enjoyed—it is one in which Marie Tempest has great scope for clever acting.

George Carter had drunk himself to sleep at a public place at Wanchai when the Police gathered him into their arms. He paid bail of \$5 at the Wanchai Station and lost it this morning by failing to answer his charge when the case was called before the Magistrate. Doubtless a return to consciousness had brought with it a little more wisdom.

The repetition of the recital by Professor Danenberg's pupils, at the City Hall last evening, drew quite a large audience, and all present greatly enjoyed the various items. The skilful manner in which the pianists played most difficult pieces showed how well they had been trained. Mrs. H. A. Jones again kindly assisted by singing two songs, which were much enjoyed.

The s.s. "Robin Gray," which the Admiral Line have chartered, arrived from Seattle on the morning of March 16th. From Hongkong she loads a full cargo of rice for Cuban Ports. This steamer was built by the Shinner and Eddy Corporation, Seattle, for their Robin Line S.S. Co. At the present time they have four of these boats operating, and have four more on the ways, which are expected to be launched in the near future. This type of vessel is considered one of the best steel ships put out by any American shipyard.

We understand that the Committee of the Victoria Recreation Club are now arranging to revive the holding of their annual athletic meetings which were held in abeyance for several years on account of the war. These meetings were formerly an athletic event of the Colony for longer than most of us can remember, and we hope that the Committee will receive every encouragement from the athletic youth of the Colony to carry on the project which they have in view. The meeting now under consideration will be open to all gentlemen amateurs of the Colony, as formerly. Meantime particulars may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Club. Date of meeting and all other details will be published later.

land is urgent. To bring about an occupation of that land for civil purposes might be expensive, but it could never be so costly as the prolonged restriction of the City will prove. The matter may have been sent home for this time for consideration or it may not. But even if it has, what hope is there of anything being done in time to reap the most benefit? Looked at in every way, it seems as though the Colony is being vitally handicapped because the people who should be doing something have not the necessary power.

EN PASSANT.

I wonder how many readers have felt inspired at one time or another to make a speech but yet have lacked the nerve? That's just how I felt at the annual meeting of the St. George's Society on Monday evening. I wanted to wax eloquent, to carry my audience along with me, but all my enthusiasm was controlled by want of pluck. It's a fearful admission to make, I know, but perhaps there will be one or two sympathisers. Anyhow, I am going to make that speech right now. In the comforting confines of my own room I shall talk to myself as I wanted to talk to others. Here goes:—

"Mr. Chairman:—Before we go any farther with this very dull meeting, it might be just as well if we took stock of ourselves. I take it that this is a formally convened meeting, and we have listened to a formal presentation of a statement of accounts and to a very formal speech in attempted explanation, more or less interesting. But, sir, don't you think that we are something more than a formal Society? Why is it that we cannot follow the common practice of having circulated among members an annual printed report containing the balance sheet, and having appended to it a complete list of members' names? Such report could also contain the notice convening the meeting. Members would then feel that they belonged to a Society that had more life than one that just contents itself by advertising in one of our daily newspapers its most important meeting of the year. Are we going to put nothing on record besides a Chairman's extempore speech at a meeting? Should we not have a properly drawn up annual report every year to form the nucleus of whatever history the Society is destined to enjoy? And should not our annual meetings be something a little removed from this dull, unenthusiastic gathering of a few at which we have heard nothing calculated to encourage our membership? We are rightly proud of England and all that she stands for, but this gathering of Englishmen has an atmosphere little removed from boredom. Everything seems to be left in the hands of our Society's officials and we hear nothing except what the Chairman, or Secretary or Treasurer care to give us at this meeting. And a meeting of Englishmen like this should be made an opportunity to review what England has done since we last met. The meeting itself should carry some significance over and above the formal transaction of formal business. We have just elected a new Committee and put a number of new men on it, and I trust that they will see to it that the next annual meeting of the Society is different in character and spirit to this present spiritless and uninspiring gathering."

That was where I should have sat down amidst applause from the backbenches and then we might have had some further talk on the same lines. The idea that I have tried to express could be very much more forcibly put and could be added to considerably. But all who attended the St. George's meeting must feel that something ought to be done to make the meeting a little more attractive.

I don't know whether I shall be divulging a secret that should not yet be made public, but I have seen no previous reference to the fact that our outlying Police Stations are now linked up with Hongkong in the matter of telephonic communication. The cables arrived a few weeks ago and they have been successfully laid. Cheungchow, Tai O, Lamna and Kato can speak direct to the Colony, which is a wonderful improvement on the old state of isolation. Mr. H. E. Pollock will be glad to hear the news, if he has not heard it already.

In getting about, one hears a good many little things. In addition to the above piece of information I could tell of some others. Of course, we all know that the China Light and Power Company of Kowloon, are going to put their cables underground in the near future. That will do away with the present dangerous overhead system, and it will also mean that whether there is a typhoon blowing or not the people of Kowloon will still be able to have their

Y.M.C.A. TIENSIN CONVENTION.

CHEAP TRANSPORTATION PROMISED.

It is not often in China that eight hundred or a thousand people from all over the country concentrate in one spot for only a few days, to hold a few meetings and then scatter again to their respective homes. This happens so infrequently that the transportation problem involved in a big convention such as the Tientsin Y.M.C.A. affair promises to be no easy solution.

The largest convention of doctors ever held in China was recently held in Peking. Many weeks before the opening date, February 21, careful plans were made by a transportation committee and the railroad officials. It was difficult for the committee of doctors to say to the railroad officials just how many doctors let us say from Shanghai and vicinity would be able to get away from their work and actually board the trains for Peking. Whatever the reason, it happened that eighteen doctors found themselves in Pukow without accommodations to get on any further. There was also some difficulty in the matter of getting the ticket sellers all along the line to understand the significance of the six sheets of credentials with which each doctor was armed from Peking to show that he was really entitled to the reduction offered. However, two hundred and seventy-seven doctors got through and had a fine convention.

Close on the heels of this medical convention comes the Y.M.C.A. Convention to be held in Tientsin the first week of April. The attendance at this Convention promises to be at least four times larger. If enough conventions are held in China, by and by everybody will know that the special governmental credentials issued represent a Hong-Kong Shanghai banknote only in size, not in colour or monetary value. We shall soon be getting the convention habit in China just as has happened in other parts of the world and even the ticket sellers will know how to proceed.

For this Y.M.C.A. Convention more than the usual liberal reductions have been granted. Word has just been received in the National Office of the Y.M.C.A. that the Government has granted the rate of one fare for the return journey. In addition, there is this good news to those living on the coast. Delegates travelling in groups to the Convention will be granted reduced rates by these four steamship companies: Butterfield-Swire, Jardine-Matheson; San Peh Steam Navigation Company and the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company. The solution of the transportation problem both by water and by rail in this matter of rates will increase the number of delegates.

As the date for the opening of the Convention draws near, the list of national figures to participate in the Convention activities grows longer. Further confirmatory word has gone out from Tientsin to all the large Y. M. C. A. centres in China that Ex-President Li Yuan Hung has so arranged his work as to be present at the opening of the Convention to speak in person. This word from General Li should be reassuring to those who suspect that his interest might go no further than to send a representative who would read a speech in such high Wenli that no one could understand it until so fortunate as to get a written copy. General Li promises to be there in person.

I was taking a walk over on the Kowloon City side the other week-end and it struck me what a number of ideal sites there are over there for factories. I had previously caught a whisper to the effect that many applications had been made to the Power Company for "juice" when they get the new works completely erected and working, and it was fairly simple to visualise the time when on the mainland we shall be having many factories busily engaged in manufacturing a good many of the things we now import. The railway is fairly handy and when we do get that promised Canton-Hankow line the whole aspect of our nearer portions of the New Territories might very easily be changed. Everything seems to be ripe for it except the people who would benefit most.

KOWLOON HOSPITAL.

AN URGENT NECESSITY.

From the Hon. Secretary of the Kowloon Residents' Association we have received the following copy of a letter addressed to the Government:—

February 17, 1920.

Hon. Mr. Claud Sverin, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—I am instructed by my Committee to invite the earnest attention of the Government to the urgent necessity that continues to exist for the establishment of a hospital in Kowloon.

The frequency of cases in which patients in extremis have had to undergo the painful discomforts which transportation across the Harbour involves has caused my Committee to view with grave concern the absence of a hospital for Europeans on the peninsula.

I am further instructed to respectfully suggest to the Government that, pending the erection of a permanent hospital, a structure to serve as a temporary hospital, to contain at least 12 beds, should be immediately erected, or, in the alternative, that suitable premises be requisitioned for and appointed as a temporary hospital for the reception of cases demanding immediate medical attention and experienced nursing.

I have the honour to remain, Sir,

(Sd.) W. JACKSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon Residents' Association.

KOWLOON SCHOOL.

UNFURLING OF FLAGS.

The Kowloon British School is now the proud owner of two very useful acquisitions—a flag-staff and a bannock—which are the gifts of two Kowloon residents, namely Mr. B. L. Frost and Mr. W. Graham. The flag-staff, which is a fine one, stands imposingly in an enclosure in front of the School and gives to it a fresh dignity. Under the fostering care of the Head Master, this School has made rapid progress in its studies and athletics, and the ceremony of "breaking" the school flag yesterday marks a further step forward.

Thanks to this gift, the School has now the opportunity of displaying its very own flag, which, as the Headmaster says, forms a link binding the allegiance of the pupils to their school.

It was a happy though small gathering of parents and pupils that met yesterday for the ceremony. Amongst those present were Mr. E. A. Irving, (the Director of Education) and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

The Headmaster (Mr. Nightingale) said:—"It is certainly a red-letter day in the history of the Kowloon British School this afternoon when we take formal possession of this magnificent flag-staff which I think is one of the best flag-staffs in the Colony. It was presented by Mr. Frost, (Applause). The cost of putting it up has been borne by the Public Works Department, and Mr. Davison will tell you that it is a splendid flag-staff. There are certain appliances attached to it, making it of important educational value. Mr. Graham has presented us with a barometer to be attached to the wind screen table on the verandah outside the class-rooms. It is also a magnificent gift and we thank him very much. Mr. and Mrs. Dyer, who I may fittingly call the patrons of the school, have very generously given us two glorious flags, one the Union Jack, the emblem of the Empire, and the other the school flag, the possession of which brings a sense of loyalty and comradeship to all those who receive their education in this School.

Mrs. Dyer was called upon by the Headmaster to unfurl the Union Jack, which she did, to the accompaniment of the singing of the National Anthem. The "breaking" of the school flag then took place to the accompaniment of an appropriate song by the school children.

In a few words Mr. Dyer thanked the Headmaster for having asked them to come there that afternoon. He wished the children every success in their studies under the guidance of their present Headmaster.

Two little maids presented Mrs. Dyer with a handsome bouquet for her services, and the ceremony concluded.

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CORRESPONDENCE. COMPANY MEETING.

(To the Editor of the Hong Kong Telegraph.)
THE L.M.S.

Sir.—Thanks for inserting my appeal for the funds of the London Missionary Society so adversely affected by the high rate of exchange.

Including Sunday's collections \$1,671.35 have been received so far. The fund is still open. Donors are heartily thanked.

Yours etc.
J. KIRK MACONACHIE,
Union Church, March 18th, 1920.

PAY ON THE CHINA COAST.

A POINTED LETTER.

We have received the following for publication:

Sir.—When "Ajax" writes on the shipping position, as regards the arbitration in tonight's *Telegraph*, is he writing of his own bat, or is it just a bit of propaganda put out by the S.P.S. of which he is acting pro tem, as the month-piece? It looks remarkably like the latter. Certainly "the whole thing has been badly handled," but not by the shipowners. If the Guild and Association had been anything but debating societies, the demands would have been put forward twelve months ago, as was done in Singapore, when they got more than they asked for from the Government Commission. The time is *over-ripe*, very much so, for asking "the shipowners to pay enhanced salaries." During the war there were no demands put forward, though the shipowners were doing better than they had ever dreamed of doing, even though they only got one-third of their profits. This one-third was better than their whole profits before the war. Even if some "of the masters and engineers are making good money outside their pay," is that any reason why the rest—the large majority too, incidentally—should still get the same wages as they were getting four years ago? Where else in the whole world will you find a body of men getting the same wages as they were getting four or even two years ago?

I quite agree with you that the shipowners' books should be far more illuminating than mere general statements, but these books should be produced sufficiently far back to enable comparison between pre-war, war, and post-war profits. It is only the exchange that conceals the poorness of the pay, to-day, on the China Coast in outside Companies. With a normal exchange, the China Coast is to-day the worst paid trade in the whole of the British Empire and it is not so long ago that it was the best. Singapore is streets ahead of the China Coast in regard to pay and conditions and then compare the difference in navigational conditions between the two! Singapore is 90 per cent. of nearly the worst conditions in the world. When there's not strong N.E. monsoon there's fog; when there's not fog, there's typhoon; and all to be tackled in old tubs which are condemned for service, in other parts of the world, as unseaworthy or unfit, but which come up to China and run for years! No, Sir, the cry of "pity the poor shipowner" is a wash-out, and it's high time that China Coast conditions were brought into line with more up-to-date localities.

Yours etc.
SHELL BACK,
Hongkong, March 17, 1920.

HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO. LTD.

The thirty-sixth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co. Ltd. was held to-day at St. George's Building for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers, Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Company, for the past year. Mr. R. Shewan presided and there were also present: Messrs. J. H. Wallace, G. W. C. Bonnar and G. W. Barton (Director), Mr. W. J. Hawk, A. C. I. S. (Secretary) and the following shareholders: Messrs. Geo. Grimble, R. Henderson, C. Klinek, H. J. Gedge, A. A. Cordaro, and M. S. Northcote.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen. The report has been in your hands for some days, and, unless you desire it, I will not read it now. I am sorry we have not a better statement to lay before you, but the slackness in demand for rope, mentioned by your Chairman last year, was only accentuated as the year went on, while, as you know, exchange steadily rose to heights never dreamed of and ruined all our chances of a reasonable profit on our sales to gold-using countries. Prices of hemp, too, ruled high, and except for a slightly weaker height market everything was against us. As for the future, the price of hemp, like that of other commodities, will no doubt keep high, but this does not matter so much to us and if that were all we could put up with as we have done before. It is simply exchange that is crushing us at present, and unfortunately there seems little hope as yet of more favourable rates. No doubt the situation will adjust itself in time, but as things are now we are greatly handicapped in competition with cordage manufacturers in gold countries. As for accounts, there is only one thing I need point out and that is, as you will notice, our investments are not given in detail as before. This is done at the suggestion of our auditors who tell us that it is the usual and more correct form. It is obvious that in the case of investments in local stocks it is not desirable to publish too much information, but we have no wish to keep anything back from shareholders and I have a list of our investments here for any shareholder to see. The bonus to staff will doubtless meet with your approval but I may mention that Provident Accounts on the usual terms will be kept with the members of the staff in future. I now propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed, and that we place to Reserve Fund \$ 10,000.00 and to Investment Depreciation Account 10,000.00. Pay a bonus to Staff of 10,928.81 and a Final Dividend of \$1 per share ... 60,000.00 carrying forward ... 50,611.89.

After that has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions from shareholders. This was seconded by Mr. Geo. Grimble and on being put to the vote was carried unanimously. Messrs. G. W. Barton, J. H. Wallace and J. W. C. Bonnar were unanimously re-elected Directors, on the motion of Mr. H. J. Gedge, seconded by Mr. M. S. Northcote. Messrs. F. Maitland and H. Percy Smith were re-appointed auditors to the Company at a remuneration of \$350 each. This was moved by Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar and seconded by Mr. G. W. Barton.

The Chairman closed the meeting with the announcement that dividend warrants were ready.

WELCOME RETURN.

HUMPHREY BISHOP CO.'S VISIT.

Most people in Hongkong remember the visit of the Humphrey Bishop Comedy and Operatic Company in 1916 and they will doubtless have been pleased to see by our advertising columns that the Company is paying the Colony another visit.

Since the Company was last in Hongkong it has travelled much, including not only the whole of the Far East, but Africa and India. The Company was reformed in Africa in the autumn of 1918 and since that date has had a tour which speaks volumes for the enterprise of Mr. Humphrey Bishop. The number and variety of the places he has visited is legion and, to crown all, he has the honour of being the first proprietor of a theatrical company to tour Mesopotamia. At that time the country was still under military occupation and so sanction of the authorities had to be obtained. General Headquarters gave all the assistance that it could, for it realised what a beneficial effect a visit by a first class professional company would have on the spirit of troops eagerly awaiting demobilisation. But even with this assistance there were very many difficulties to be overcome and quite a number of little hardships to be endured. In Baghdad, where the Company played for eleven weeks and also produced a successful pantomime, accommodation for the whole company was confined to an Arab house with ten rooms. Furnishing can be well imagined. In the matter of theatres, too, the tour was rich in adventure, many improvised structures having to be hurriedly made as suitable as possible for the presentation of a show.

We have had an opportunity of seeing a book of cuttings dealing with the Mesopotamia tour, and it constitutes a wonderful record of perseverance in face of difficulties, and of enthusiastic appreciation on the part of men who were longing for some decent relaxation to lighten the burden of monotonous military service.

Since the tour mentioned above the Company has been making its way back to the Far East and has been welcomed wherever it has given entertainments. The Company arrives in Hongkong at a time when entertainment is being fully catered for, but there should be no lack of support. The Victoria Theatre has been booked and the opening performance takes place on Saturday evening. The Company is only staying for five days.

Having regard to the nominal prices being charged and also to the fact that it is like welcoming back old friends, there should be good booking business done by Messrs. Moutrie's, where plans can be seen.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY the 11th March, 1920 until SATURDAY, the 20th March, 1920, both days inclusive. By order of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Hongkong, 5th March, 1920.

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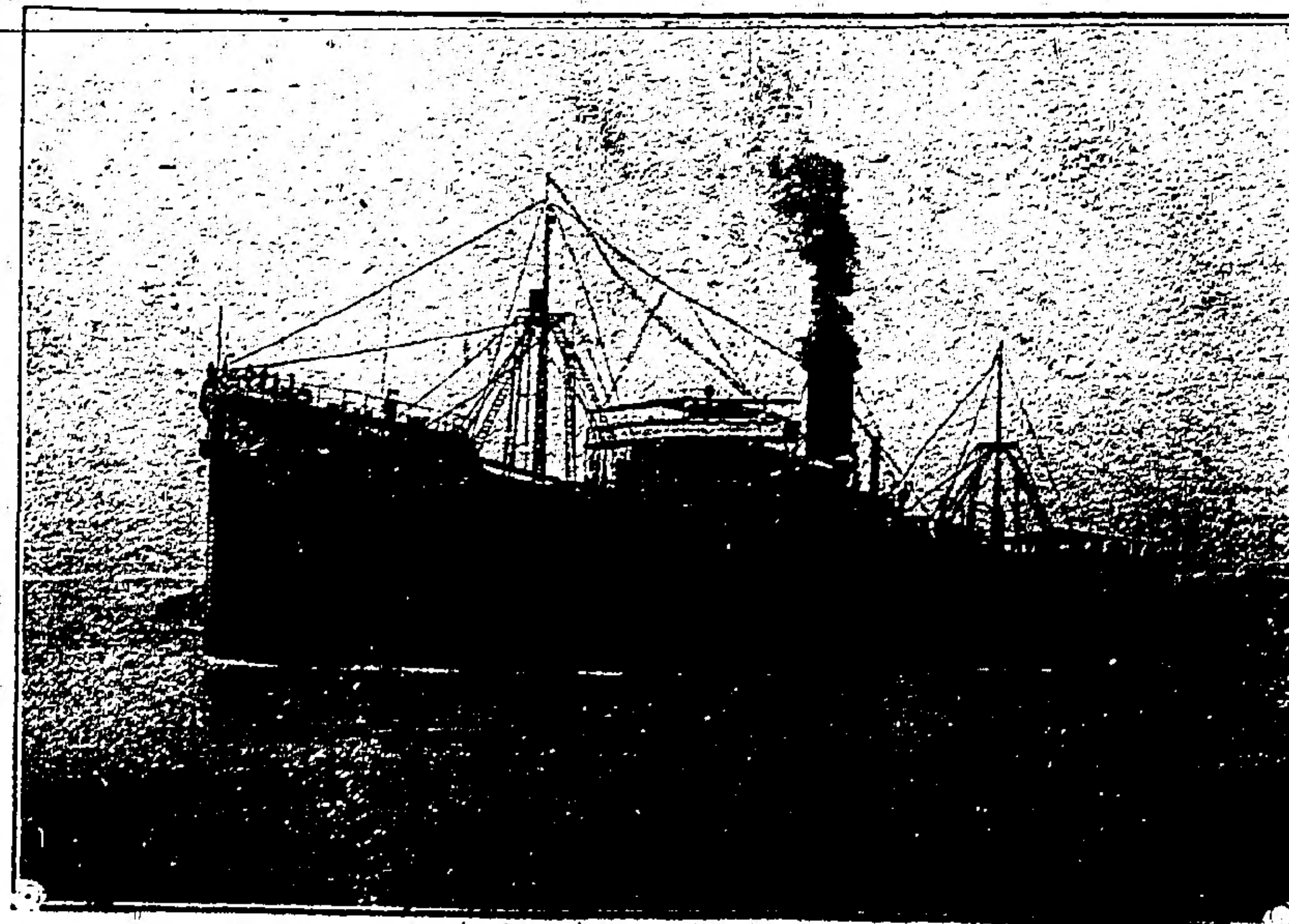
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Tacoma	M. O. S. K.	Mar. 31
Tosa	M. N. Y. K.	Mar. 31
Tacoma	M. O. S. K.	Apr. 1
Shinyo	M. N. Y. K.	Apr. 1
Siberia	M. T. K. K.	Apr. 1
Eldridge	A. L.	Apr. 2
Kaga	M. N. Y. K.	Apr. 2
Khiva	P. & O.	Apr. 3
Arabia	M. O. S. K.	Apr. 6
Genoa	M. N. Y. K.	Apr. 7
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Persia	M. N. Y. K.	Apr. 19
Unnan	M. O. S. K.	Apr. 1
Kosoku	M. O. S. K.	Apr. 2
Shinzui	M. N. Y. K.	Apr. 2
Rangoon	M. N. Y. K.	Apr. 2
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GENOA MARU ... Wednesday, 7th April.

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BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

SHINYO MARU ... Saturday, 20th March.

SHINZU MARU ... Friday, 2nd April.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

HAKODATE MARU ... Sunday, 28th March.

RANGOON MARU ... Friday, 2nd April.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

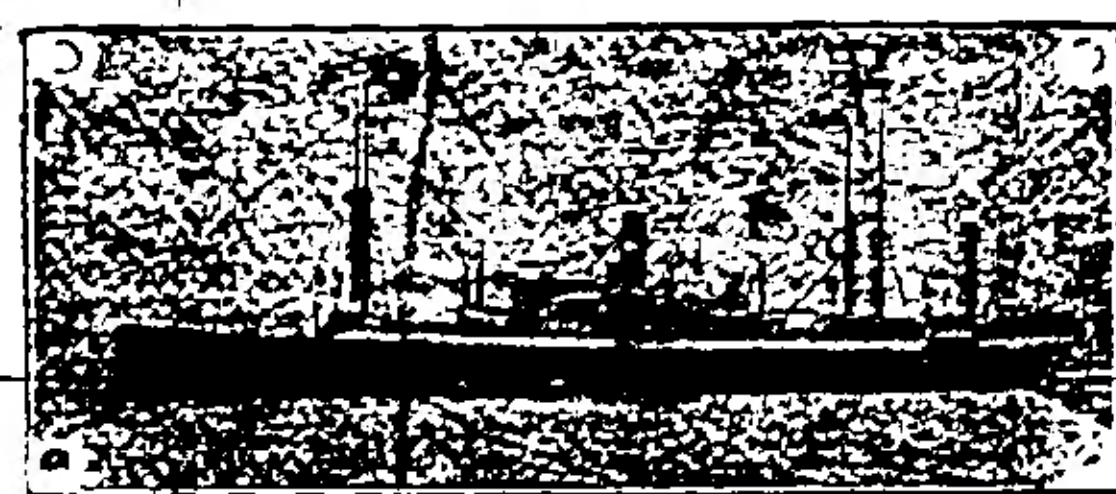
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SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Sun., 21st Mar. at d'light.
TIENTSIN	Chipshing	Sun., 21st Mar. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Taksang	Sun., 21st Mar. at 8 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Tues., 23rd Mar. at 3 p.m.
KOBE	Fooksang	Thur., 25th Mar. at 5 p.m.
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HOIHOW & BANGKOK	Hupei	19th Mar. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	20th Mar. at 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Kailong	21st Mar. at 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Luchow	23rd Mar. at 9 a.m.
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A thousand tons of coal was delivered here by the s.s. KALFONG, from Haiphong this morning.—Mooring, C 47.

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The COMMANDANT MAGES, returned to Hongkong yesterday evening from the Hongkong Chow where she went aground. She has returned for repairs. She brought back her cargo of 3,500 tons. The Captain reports strong E.N.E. wind and fog.—Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

A thousand eight hundred tons of rice was consigned here by the CHONG SAMU, belonging to the Royal Siamese Navy. One fishing junk was found sunken in front of Ladrone Island.—Mooring, C 43.

From Chingwantao the CHO-FU MARU, brought 1,310 tons of coal.—Mooring, C 33.

The s.s. SHIDZUOKA MARU, arrived this morning with 4,187 tons of oil, lumber, starch and merchandise from Yokohama. She is a N. Y. K. vessel.—Mooring, N. Y. K. buoy.

From Mike the GENYEI MARU, brought 2,738 tons of coal. She is under the agency of the M. B. K.—Mooring, C 34.

The TOYORA MARU, arrived from Kobe this morning with 2,300 tons of general merchandise for Hongkong.—Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

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The N. Y. K. s.s. TAMBA M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 14th Feb. and is expected here on the 24th March.

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The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila, on the 9th Feb., and is due here on or about the 18th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. MISHIMA MARU (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 28th Feb., and is expected here on the 5th April.

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The P. M. s.s. ECUADOR sailed from Shanghai March 11th for Manila and may be expected here on or about Monday March 22nd.

The P. & O. s.s. SANTHA left Singapore for this port on the 13th instant at 7 a.m. and is due here on the 20th instant at about noon.

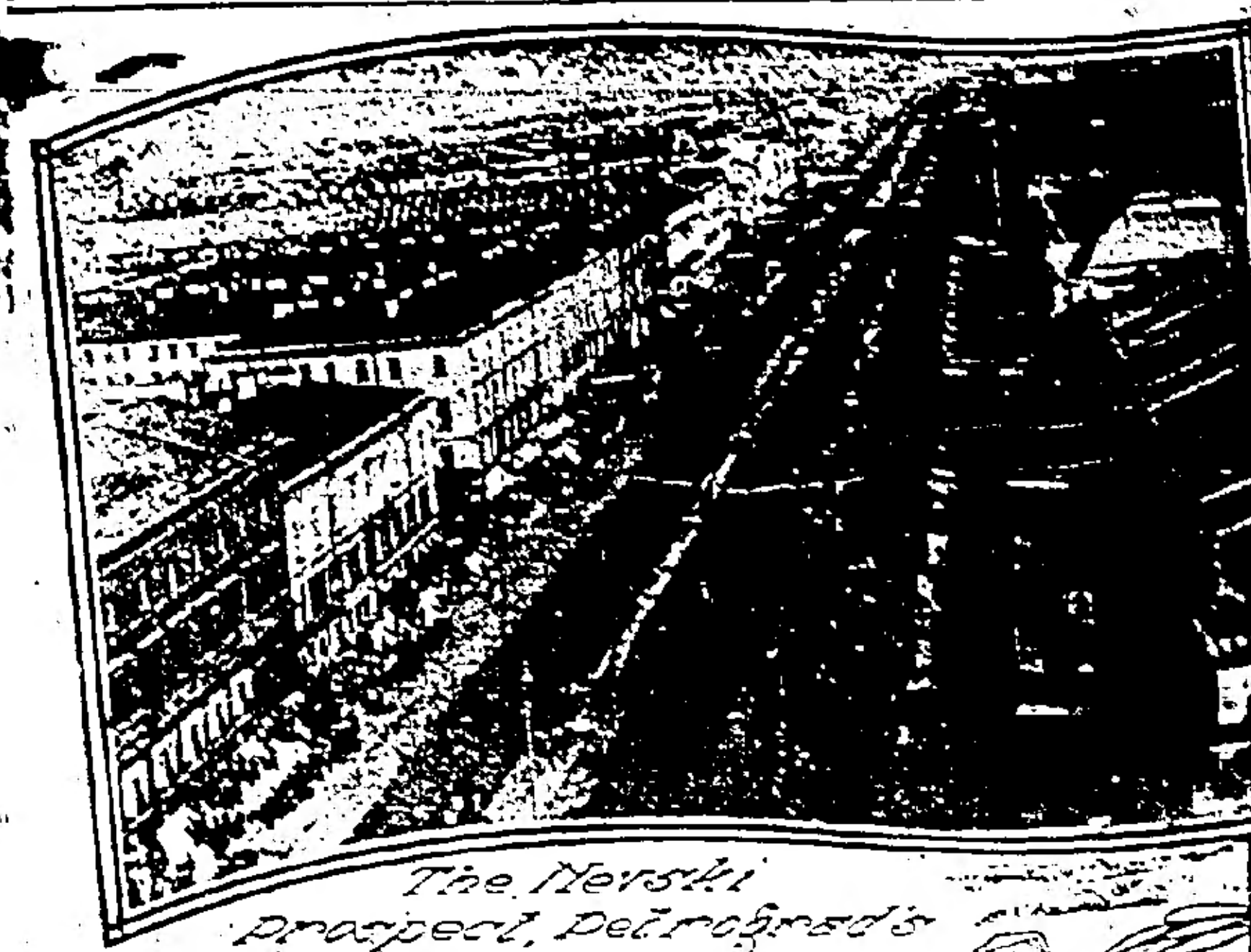
The N. Y. K. s.s. TENSIN M. (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Suez on the 11th Mar. and is expected here on the 30th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHINYO M. (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 14th March, and is expected here on the 19th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. NIKKO M. (Australian Line) left Thursday Is. for this port via Manila on the 11th March and is expected here on the 22nd March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHIDZUOKA MARU (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 15th March and is expected here on the 18th March.

The P. & O. s.s. MADRAS left Singapore for this port on the 16th instant, and is due here on the 21st instant.



An Intimate Sketch of This Remarkable Russian City— The Home of the Bolsheviks.

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PETROGRAD, or St. Petersburg, as early as 1703. The city is built upon absolutely flat ground, much of it being made around. Its climate is bad for it is extremely cold in winter with snow covered streets from October until June while the summers are short, damp and very hot. Cholera in summer is nearly always an annual visitor and the wealthier part of the population betake themselves to summer homes on the islands of the Neva which make up a part of the city. The Neva frequently overflows and the prisoners in the prison of St. Peter and St. Paul have been drowned in their cells in summer during the rains while others have frozen to death during the winter.

In fact there are so many disagreeable things about the climate of Petrograd that there is a legend which tells us that the devil told Peter the Great to select this place and by so doing he would become great as it would drive many people to him (the devil), and that he would repay Peter for these souls. With his accustomed persistence Peter proceeded to build the city and supervised the work himself. As soon as suitable quarters were erected he had the court moved from Moscow. Then he ordered thousands of peasants to come to the city and build homes for themselves. A special tax was imposed throughout the Empire to meet this expense. A scarcity of building stone caused the issue of an order that no stone must be used for building in any other part of the Empire until the capital was completed. He next compelled all men who owned over 500 acres to build homes in his new city which accounts for the beautiful residences along the Neva. So after all he not only founded it but he built it and peopled it as well.

After a time the city became a great commercial center and was up to the beginning of the present war; it became so fashionable to live in Petrograd that at the end of the eighteenth century its population numbered 200,000.

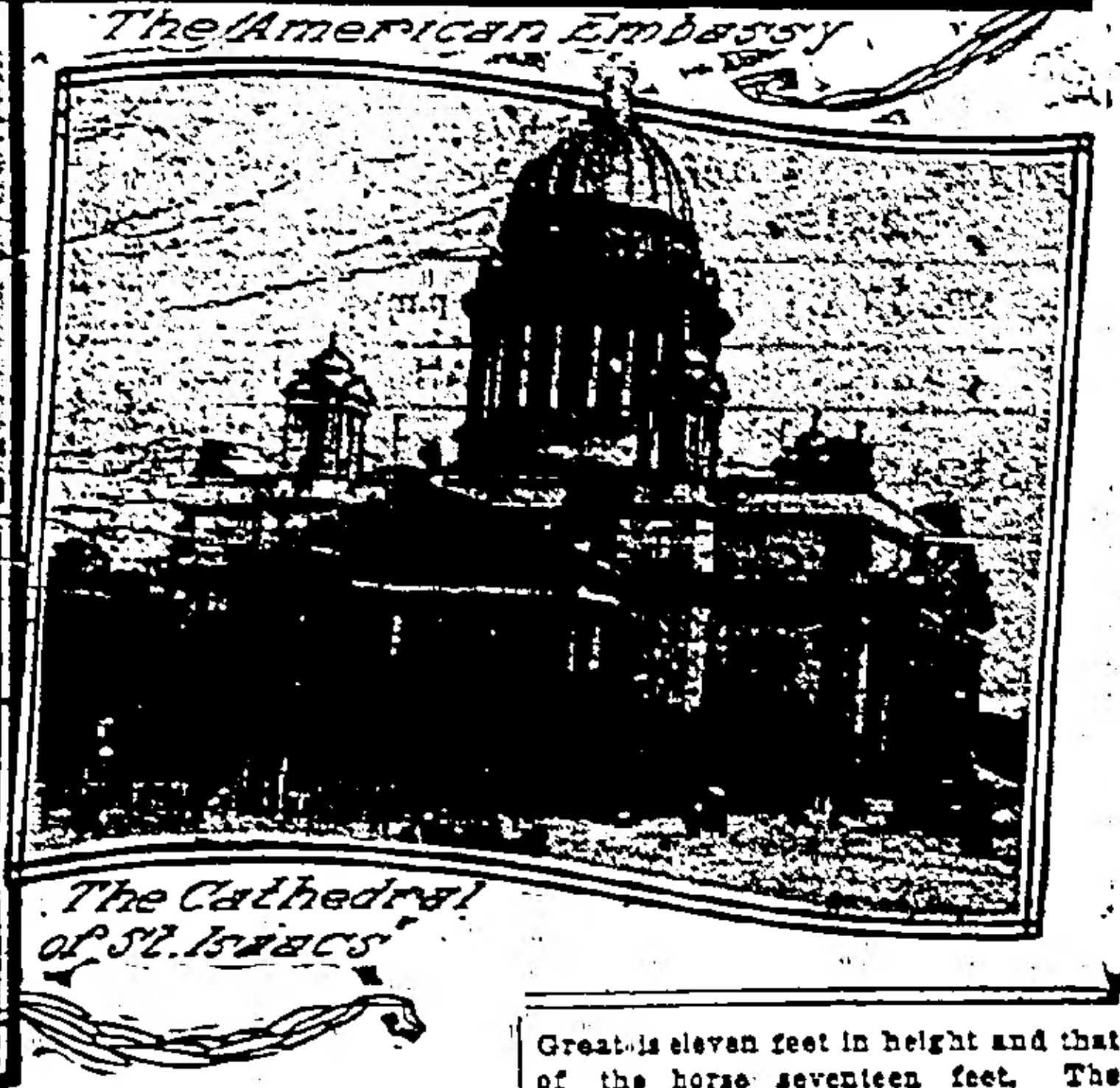
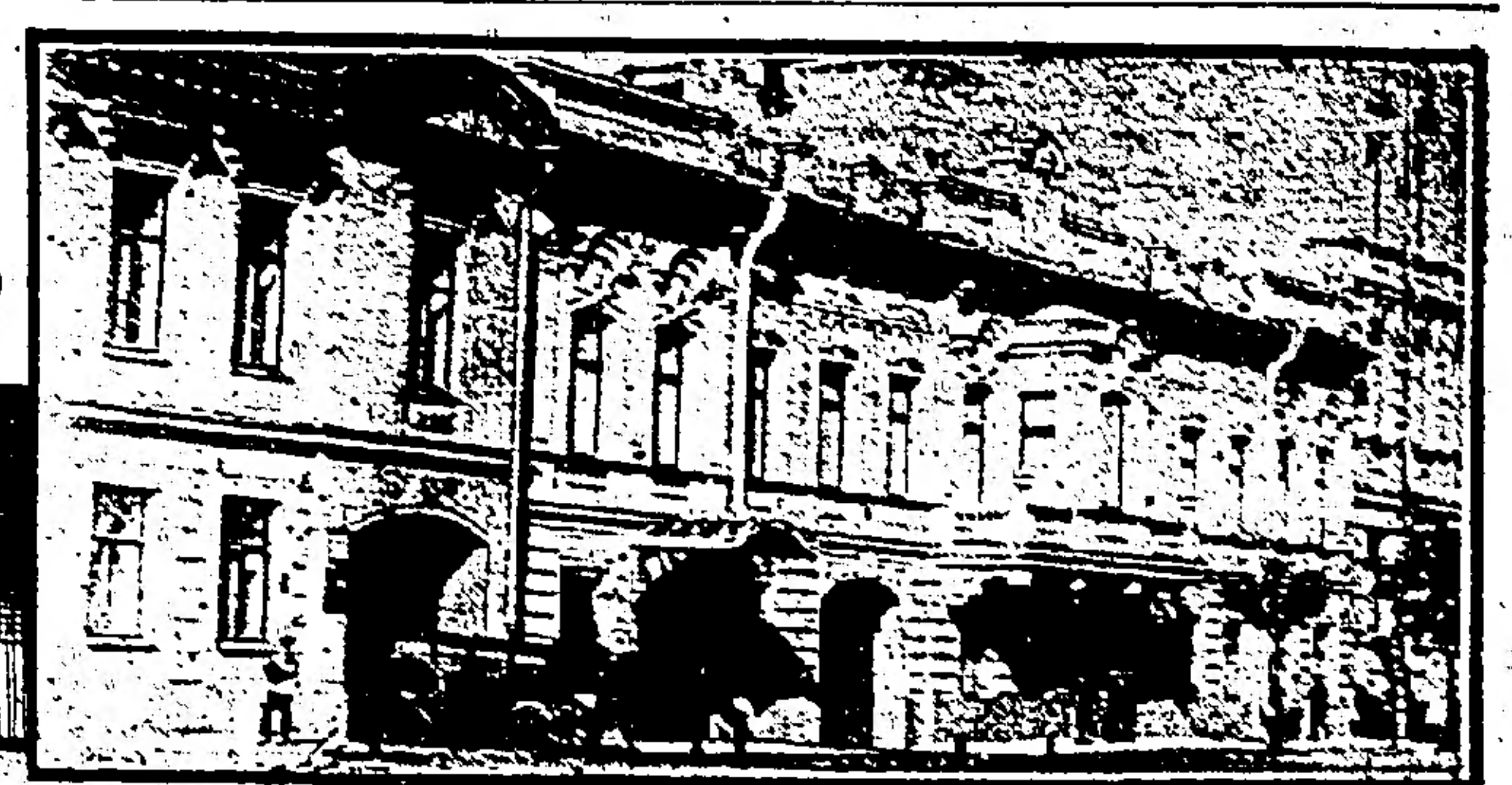
During the reign of Alexander I the marshes were drained and the population doubled. When Nicholas I came to the throne he had it controlled by railways with all the important parts of the Empire and many cities of Europe as well. Pretty soon it became an educational center and the hundreds of students who flocked to its educational institutions imbued certain knowledge which was not good for them and brought out a sort of club of anarchists, many of whom have from time to time come to the United States and given no little trouble.

The city has many interesting sights and while even in the pre-war days was never popular for tourists those who did visit it were well repaid for their discomforts, for the hotels had good food, but the sleeping accommodations were uncomfortable and the plumbing unsanitary to the last degree. But even on the food question the city was unique for even before the war one was compelled to pay forty cents for a cup of bad coffee, while the best tea could be obtained for about three cents per glass. This beverage was always drunk from glasses never from cups.

Great Churches
As in every Russian city the churches are perhaps the most costly edifices of the place and in Petrograd St. Isaac's Cathedral, the Cathedral of Kazan and the wonderful church built in memory of the Czar Alexander II, who was assassinated in 1881.

All these cathedrals have great monoliths. In fact the monolith obelisks of Egypt are not more remarkable. Four of these huge columns each sixty feet high sustain the four porticos of the Cathedral of St. Isaac, while fifty-six columns of granite from Finland support the Kazan Cathedral. These two churches have interiors in which malachite, lapis-lazuli, gold and precious stones are heaped together. Great ikons—queer paintings, partly covered with gold, are all about where people pray and with superstitious reverence have passed the gold away from many of the sacred ikons. One stands in awe at the hugeness of this church and the barbaric magnificence of its decoration. The great church is gradually sinking although it cost a fabulous sum of money to sink piles for the foundation. This is of course, owing to the enormous structure being built upon made ground.

The church in memory of Alexander II is one of these beautiful buildings with many domes which are a perfect plot of color, beautiful blues, delicate pinks intermingled with gold and magnificent mosaic pictures. It is more Russian than either of the others and wonderfully artistic in its makeup.



Great is eleven feet in height and that of the horse seventeen feet. The greatness of the statue lies in the action, as the horse rears on its hind legs after the favorite manner of Velasquez in his well known portrait of Ferdinand IV.

Religion

The people of Petrograd seem to be very religious in a way for there are many shrines along the street before which they always stop and cross themselves in the manner used by the Greek Church and entirely different from that of the Roman Catholic. This, however, does not prevent them from getting into a quarrel or a fight immediately afterward, so after all it seems that all this religious effort is a mere superstition. While there are many educational institutions in Petrograd the larger parts of the population are ignorant and uneducated, the latter word being meant in the literal sense for outside of the real high class Russian the people of the entire Empire are anything but clean and attractive, yet they deserve a better fate than what is being meted out to them.

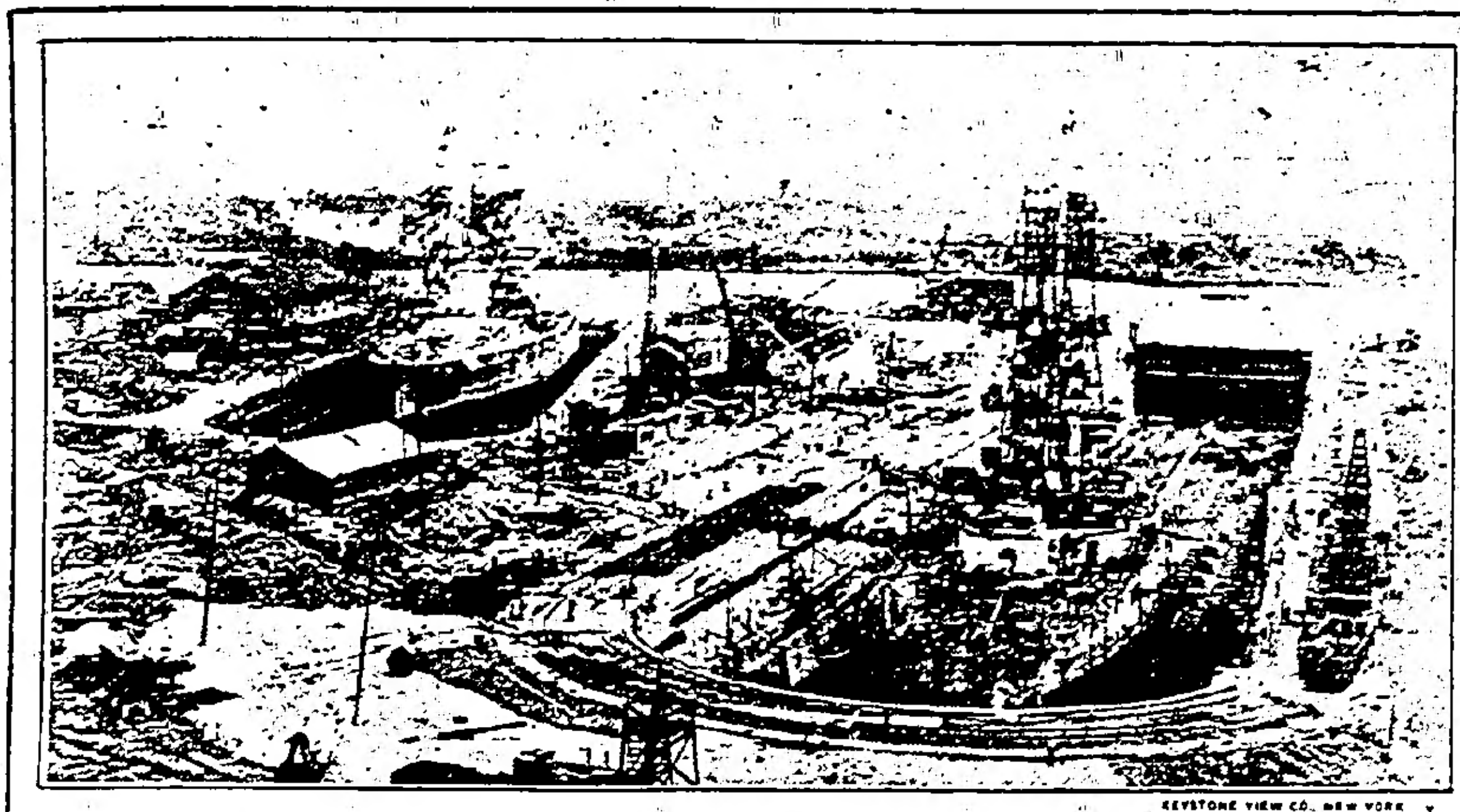
The gigantic winter palace of the ill-fated Czar is a great pile of brick and stone containing many rooms and costly relics. Close by is the great arch and the admiralty building also the American Embassy, which is one of the few owned by our government. Before the war it was so difficult to rent a suitable building for our Ambassador that it was finally decided to purchase an elegant brown stone building near the Russian Government buildings. During the present unsettled condition Ambassador Francis has spent little of his time in this building which is in the midst of some of the wildest scenes.

A visit to the Hermitage—a museum and picture gallery built by Catherine II, is well worth a trip to Petrograd in quiet times, for this gallery contains some of the world's greatest paintings and statuary and like the two churches is supported by monoliths of great size. This museum began when Catherine II had part of the building erected in which to keep a small number of treasures she had collected and it gradually grew into this great museum.

Famous Statue
Petrograd is rich in statuary and beautiful bridges which cross the Neva at various places. These bridges are made of Finland granite and adorned at each end by huge statues. The greatest of all monuments is that erected to Peter the Great by Catherine II. It is regarded by artists as the most perfect equestrian statue the world has ever known. It is a colossal figure of Peter the Great on horseback, in the act of reining up his horse at the edge of a precipice "to overlook the great city he built," said Catherine II when the statue was finished. The statue of Peter the



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M., 22nd Mar.
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Mar.
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SHU M., 30th Mar.

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Mar., 9 a.m.
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EUROPE VIA SAN FRANCISCO
—Per ARCHER, 19th Mar.,
Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters
10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauri-
tius, L. Marques, S. Africa,
India via Dhanushkodi.
Egypt & EUROPE VIA MAR-
SEILLES—Per SHIDZUOKA
M., 19th Mar., Reg. 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per
HAICHING, 19th March,
noon.
Philippine Islands—Per LOONG-
SANG, 19th Mar., 2 p.m.
Straits and Bangkok—Per
TOYORA MARU, 19th
Mar., 3 p.m.
Japan via Nagasaki—Per BEN-
AVON, 19th Mar., 4 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per TEEN-
KAI, 15th Mar., 5 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok & Egypt—Per
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SATURDAY, 20TH MARCH.

Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta and
Aden—Per ARRATOON
APCAR, 20th Mar., noon.
Shanghai & North China—Per
YINGCHOW, 20th Mar.,
3 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and N. China
—Per KWANGSANG, 20th
Mar., 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 21ST MARCH.

Haiphong—Per KAIFONG, 21st
Mar., 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via
Keelung—Per KAIJO M.,
21st Mar., 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 22ND MARCH.

Chefoo and Dairen—Per HSIN
PING ON, 22nd Mar., noon.
TUESDAY, 23RD MARCH.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per LU-
CHOW, 23rd Mar., 8 a.m.

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Demand, India 208
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H.K. & S. Banks b. \$415
Marine Insurances.

Cantons b. 415
North China n. t. 150
Unions b. 181 s. 185 sa. 135
Yangtzes n. 210
Far Eastern n. t. 19

Fire Insurances.
China Fires n. 138
H. K. Fires b. 390

Shipping.
Douglases n. 88
H.K. Steamboats b. 20
Indos (Pref.) n. 20
Indos (Def.) b. 208
Shells b. 225
Ferries b. 24 1/2 n. 25

Refineries.
Sugars s. 220
Malabons s. 43

Mining.
Kailans n. 161/-
Langkats n. t. 16 1/2
Shanghai Loans n. t. 16 1/2
Shai Explorations n. t. 16 1/2
Raubs n. 1
Tronchs n. 55/-
Ural Caspians n. 30/-

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.
H.K. Wharves s. 85
K. Docks b. 154
Shai Docks b. 117
N. Engineerings b. t. 30

Lands, Hotels & Buildings.
Centrals s. 107
H.K. Hotels b. 130
L. Invest. n. 107
H. Phreys Est. n. 7
K. Loan Lands n. 50
L. Reclamations n. 133
West Points n. 58

Cotton Mills.
Ewos n. t. 615
Kung Yiks n. t. 60
Lau Kung Mows n. t. 435
Orientals n. t. 285
S'hai Cottons n. t. 365
Yangtzepeeps n. t. 40

Miscellaneous.
Cements b. 7 1/4 s. 7 3/4
China Borneos n. 17
Do. Light old sa. 7 1/4 new b. 5 1/4
China Providents b. 7 3/4
Dairy Farms b. 21 1/2 as. 22
Electrics H. K. s. 88 c. r.
Electrics Macao n. 34
Hongkong Ropes s. 26
H.K. Tramways s. & sa. 6 1/2
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Steam Laundries b. 3 1/2
Steel Foundries n. 10
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Watsons s. 6.20
Wm. Powells b. 15
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1 Hongkong to Gap Rock.

N.E. wind.

Force, 15/2.

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2 Formosa Channel.

The same as No. 1.

3 South coast of China. The same as No. 1.

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4 South coast of China. The same as No. 1.

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